

Power savings

†1047. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has set a target of saving ten thousand megawatt of power during Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the scheme being formulated for the same;

(c) the percentage of power being lost in Transmission and Distribution (T&D) at present, and how much megawatt of power is lost due to this every year;

(d) the steps being taken by Government to lessen the T&D losses; and

(e) the scheme formulated by Government to check the theft of power from transmission lines?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. 8 new schemes have been formulated to promote power saving, which include-Bachat Lamp Yojana, Standard and Labelling Scheme, Energy Conservation Building Code, Agricultural and Municipal Demand Side Management, Strengthening of Institutional Capacity of State Designated Agencies, Energy Efficiency in Small and Medium Enterprises, Institutional strengthening of Bureau of Energy Efficiency and other energy efficiency institutions and contribution to the State Energy Conservation Fund.

(c) Transmission and Distribution (T&D) losses for 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06 were 32.53%, 31.25% and 30.42% respectively. For 2005-06, if the reasonable level of losses is taken as 15%, savings (15.42% of losses) in terms of installed generation capacity would be of the order of 14000 MW.

(d) and (e) The Government has built a national consensus to focus on a time bound programme for reduction of Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) losses. A resolution adopted in the Chief Ministers' Conference held on 28.5.2007, *inter-alia* include, the commitment of the States for ensuring a resolute elimination of electricity theft. Accelerated Power Development & Reforms Programme (APDRP) was launched in 2002-03 to provide States for taking up technical, commercial and management measures to reduce the losses. Further Electricity Act, 2003 provides legal framework for making theft of electricity a cognizable offence.

Load shedding in Delhi

1048. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that the capital is experiencing rampant load shedding;

(b) if so, whether Government has taken steps to mitigate the plight of consumers;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

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